GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1332
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SPECIAL CENTRAL ASSISTANCE TO STATES
VIRENDRA KUMAR

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes sponsored by his Ministry through which Special Central Assistance is granted to every State;

(b) the amount of Special Central Assistance sanctioned to each state under these schemes during the last three years;

(c) whether the funds allocated under the schemes are not being properly utilized by some States;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the specific steps taken to stop such practice?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) Under the Central scheme of Special Central Assistance (SCA), 100% grant-in-aid is provided to 27 States/UTs having sizeable Scheduled Castes (SC) population as an additive to the Special Component Plan of the States/UTs and is intended to augment the efforts of the States/UTs for the economic development of SCs.The objective of SCA is to provide additional support to SC families to enhance their productivity and income. It focuses on providing occupational needs and maximizing the returns from their limited assets.

(b) A Statement showing the details of Special Central Assistance released to the States/UTs during the last 3 years is enclosed as Annexure.

(c) to (e) Funds allocated to the States are being utilized as per guidelines.However, there has been delay in sending Utilization Certificate because of which SCA could not be released to Bihar, Punjab, Goa and Delhi during 2000-2001.
The concerned State Govts./UT Administrations have been advised to utilize the SCA grant released as per guidelines and to send utilization certificate for release of further grant. Further, for proper utilization of SCA funds, the States/UTs have been advised to formulate specific project proposals covering activities by dovetailing subsidy under SCA and loan from NSFDC/Banks from one point alongwith required forward and backward linkages. They have also been advised to open separate budget head for same.

Statement refer to Part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.1332for 8.3.2002 by Sh. Virendra Kumar regard regarding Special Central Assistance to States. .
Special Central Assistance to Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes released to the States/UTs during last three years.

(Rs. In lakhs)

Sl.No	States/UT	1998-99 Released	1999-2000 Released	2000-2001 Released
1	Andhra Pradesh	3388.78	4134.94	3720
2	Assam	596.66	695.31	1810.69
3	Bihar	3620.07	3471.49	0
4	Chattisgarh	0	0	500
5	Gujarat	371.4	682.27	1521.88
6	Goa	2.72	5.49	8
7	Haryana	741.77	840.36	930.63
8	Himachal Pra	259.56	298.18	440
9	Jammu & Kashmir	132.8	183.44	218
10	Jharkhand	0	0	500
11	Karnataka	1820.07	2097.36	2643.64
12	Kerala	724.54	813.24	1251.07

13	Madhya Pradesh	2237.08	3303.27	1720
14	Maharashtra	1673.92	2067.3	2722
15	Manipur	10.62	12.54	38.96
16	Orissa	2281.57	1907.72	1884
17	Punjab	1119.74	1280.29	1784
18	Rajasthan	2575.48	2792.68	3738.96
19	Sikkim	4.03	22.37	23.87
20	Tamil Nadu	3236.93	4036.92	3558
21	Tripura	108.72	159.14	476.48
22	Uttar Pradesh	7518.15	9728.65	9398
23	Uttranchal	0	0	500
24	West Bengal	3378.39	4962	5450.63
25	Chandigarh	22	25	25
26	Delhi	201.71	149.91	149.91
27	Pondicherry	73.29	30.13	25.18
	Total	36100	43700	45038.9